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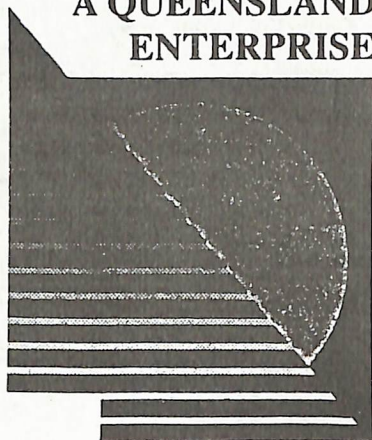
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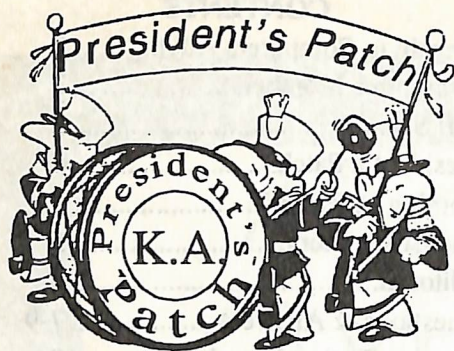
The next meeting will be held on
Tuesday March 7th (7pm - 10pm)
St. Laurence's College
82 Stephens Road
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WORKSHOP MEETING

The next workshop meeting will be held on
Sunday March 12th (11am - 4pm)
Ithaca R.S.L. Hall
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They say that no news is good news. Well, I'm not so sure about that, what with the "dead" silence that has presented itself to us over the Commodore "debacle".

Talking of this, I was surprised with the reaction of some people to the video that was shown at the last meeting. I had seen it previously on a TV set and although somewhat amateurish, it was in the beginning, quite informative. I never realized that showing it on a projector would affect some onlookers, due to its jerky and swinging manner, into feeling nauseous.

This coming meeting (March) will not be so long. A presentation will be given by Geoff Sutor on Animation and using Graphics Boards (with a small amount of assistance by myself).

The following month sees our own club member, Rudi Florentinus, giving us a demonstration of using the Amiga and various paint pro-

grams to produce Graphic Art.

For the meetings after April, I am looking for some club members to put on a short presentation. If you would like to assist, would you please see me at the Tuesday night or Sunday afternoon meetings.

If I don't get any response I can see this Tuesday night meeting will just turn into a social event (unless this is what members wish).

Hey, its FEEDBACK time! Let us know what you want.

I will not be at *every* Tuesday meeting, as I have a problem in driving at night and seeing where I'm going. I feel that it is not necessary for me to do so, and that other committee members can be equally as effective as I am. I will be present at the Sunday meetings and I am sure that I will not be missed greatly on *some* Tuesdays.

Neville Duguid is endeavoring to produce more Fish Disks, and I also feel that this may be a way of engendering some income for the club in selling the disks to other outlets?

Till next time,

Keith Antoine

"El Pres"



Please always refer to the latest CURSOR for information on the next meeting as the following plans are always subject to change.

March 7th 1995

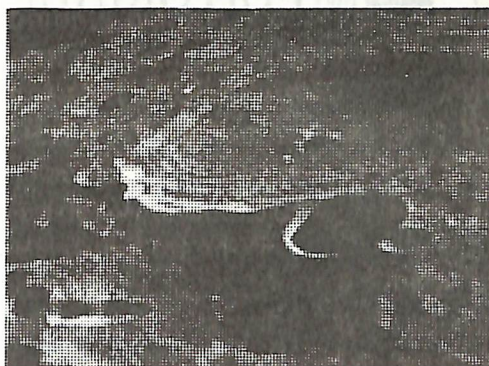
Animations and using Graphics Boards by Geoff Suttor.

April 4th 1995

Using the Amiga to produce Graphic Art by Rudi Florentinous.

PLEASE NOTE:

These and all future meetings will be held in the classrooms at the upper level of St. Laurence's College and NOT in the Auditorium.

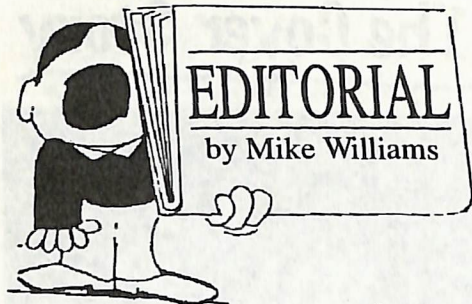


The cover picture this month is a GIF file titled "Farside.GIF". It shows an image that you would never see ... craters from the farside of the moon. As you are probably aware, the moon always presents the same side to the earth as it revolves around this world and so, unless you're an astronaut, you would never have seen the "farside" of the moon.

It is a GIF image of 842 by 975 pixels in 256 colours. Its file size is 356,603 bytes.

It comes from a CD-ROM called "World of GIF" which contains some 3000 high resolution pictures, mainly in the GIF format.

This is over 600 megabytes of software, and this form of file can be used by the Amiga, the Macintosh or the IBM clone machines.



Promises ... Promises .

All we seem to get these days about the future of the Amiga is promises; promises but nothing delivered.

There still seems to be only two main contenders for the Amiga technology and that is 1. "Amiga International" the old Commodore UK headed by Donald Pleasance and 2. Creative Equipment International (C.E.I.) headed by Alex Amor.

Both of these contenders are promising that they have the successful bid and that they will continue to build and market Amiga machines in one form or another. There are even reports of celebration parties being held by Commodore UK.

In the meantime, the Amiga slowly sinks into the mire of the unknown while more and more developers and programmers silently slip away to other computer platforms.

It will soon reach a stage where, unless a decision is made *soon* by the liquidators and accountants, there will be nothing left of value to sell. Amiga technology is quickly dating ... Workbench 3.1 is only a mild upgrade, with no real improvements over Workbench 3.0. The new AAA chipset will soon be obsolete, even *before* it has been properly developed and will probably be made redundant by 3D RISC.

All of this makes you wonder what the contenders are paying their millions for. It is reputed that there is very little in the way of Amiga hardware. To me the best part of the Amiga is not the hardware, or the software ... it is the loyalty of the Amiga users themselves. Here we have a large number of computer enthusiasts who don't want to be part of the mainstream, but who want something different and better than the average. In the early years of Commodore, the Amiga provided just that (as did the Commodore 64 before it), but now, unfortunately the IBM clones have overtaken us and it is only our individualism which prevents a lot of us going over to the more widely accepted platforms.

And THAT is the real value of Amiga.

Happy Computing.

Mike

Mike Williams - Editor

Questions & Answers

In November's Questions & Answers, Derek Hackett asked:

I have both a "s:startup-sequence" and a "s:startup-sequence.HD" file. They both appear identical except that the "s:startup-sequence" has additional lines that read:

rexxmast >NIL:

Path SYS: add

Assign Memos: SYS:Memos

The "s:startup-sequence" is the one being used, so what is the other one for.

As I have a A600HD I would have expected the ".HD" file to be the one used ???

Without having your Amiga 600 in front of me, Derek, any attempt to answer your question can only be speculation on my part. The ideal person to answer would be the dealer or distributor who originally fitted the hard drive to your computer. However, that being said, I can still provide a few clues that will point you in the right direction to figuring it out yourself.

It is amazing what can be deduced

with a little knowledge of the Amiga Shell -- along with a few clues from other club members with the same sort of computer.

I have never had an Amiga 600, but my Workbench 2.04 software upgrade came with both a "Startup-sequence" AND a "Startup-sequence.HD" like yours. The idea was that if you had a hard drive, you replaced "Startup-sequence" with its .HD equivalent. My guess is that your A600 started out the same, and whoever fitted the hard drive, accomplished the relevant software adjustment using the Amiga Shell command:

Copy S:Startup-sequence.HD to
S:Startup-sequence

This would have overwritten your original Startup-sequence with a copy of Startup-sequence.HD.

List S:Startup#?

This will show you the last modification dates of both files. A Startup-sequence creation date more recent than Startup-sequence.HD could be an indication that we are on the right track. (Although the reverse does not apply -- see below).

If this should turn out to be the case, then your computer really has two

copies of "Startup-sequence.HD", the original now serving as nothing more than a backup. The only one relevant to the Amiga's operating system is the one called "Startup-sequence".

Some programs subsequently added to your hard drive may have required "installation". Apart from copying the files, this process often includes adding an Assign statement or two to the Startup-sequence, eg:

Assign DPaintIV: Work:/DPIV

Assign Memos: Sys:Memos

The purpose of these statements is to let the new program know where to find its accompanying files on the hard disk. It can find them easily enough while the original floppy is still in the drive, but when you move them to a hard disk, you need to create a "logical device" of the same name. This fools the program into thinking it is still reading the original floppy disk.

However, in the case of your Startup-sequence, it appears to have happened the other way around.

:Assign Memos: SYS:Memos

The example doesn't make sense as it is. I suspect the colon ":" at the start of the line should be a semi-

colon ";". This is a way of telling AmigaDOS to ignore the statement without requiring its complete removal from the file. The ";" normally declares everything on the remainder of the line as a comment. The procedure of de-activating a statement this way is known as "commenting out" the statement. (Similar to 'REM' in BASIC).

Referring back to the 'List' command's output again, if both Startup files' dates are the same (with no more than a few seconds difference between the times), it probably means that the software adjustments were done on another computer (or disk), and both files copied simultaneously to your present hard drive.

(However some versions of Copy, eg XCopy and Workbench Copy, preserve the original date stamps. In that case the evidence would have survived intact).

If the time difference is a matter of minutes or hours, the adjustments were probably made by the person installing your hard drive. If there is a large difference (months, years), then others have probably added to your Startup-sequence since then.

The most common reason for

changing a Startup-sequence is to include Assign statements as mentioned above. However the practice of altering the Startup-sequence for this purpose has been officially discouraged by Commodore beginning with Release 2.0 of the Operating System. Any knowledgeable dealer or user is now expected to put such assignments in "User-startup" instead.

The most likely exception would be a ready-made "Click-to-Install" script. This could be of any age and, even if recent, might prefer writing to "Startup-sequence" rather than "User-startup" in order to remain compatible with Version 1.3 Amigas. (It would certainly not be interested in a file called "Startup-sequence.HD"). Each event of this type would increase the difference between the date stamps of the two files.

My chances of getting this far without taking a wrong turn, when I haven't even seen the evidence on your hard drive, have to be very slim indeed. Maybe your A600 doesn't have a clock and you don't bother setting the time... so I won't try to go any further, EXCEPT to offer a comment on the other two extra statements in your Startup-sequence.

rexmxmast >NIL:

This starts up the ARexx macro/interprocess communication language on your computer. It is not strictly necessary, as programs that use ARexx can call for it themselves when they need it. So it makes sense to leave this statement out of all-floppy systems where space on the boot disk is scarce. But it is well worth including when you have a hard drive. (My guess: It was added when the hard drive was installed).

Path SYS: add

"Sys:" is the logical name automatically assigned to the root directory of the disk or partition that the Amiga boots from. "Path" here adds "sys:" to the AmigaDOS Search Path. This is a list of directories where AmigaDOS (and recent versions of Workbench) look for any program whose path is not explicitly stated in the command or Tool that invokes it. (My guess: it was created when a program was installed in the sys: directory -- possibly the same program whose Assign was later commented out when it and its 'Memos' subdirectory were deleted).

- Neville Duguid.

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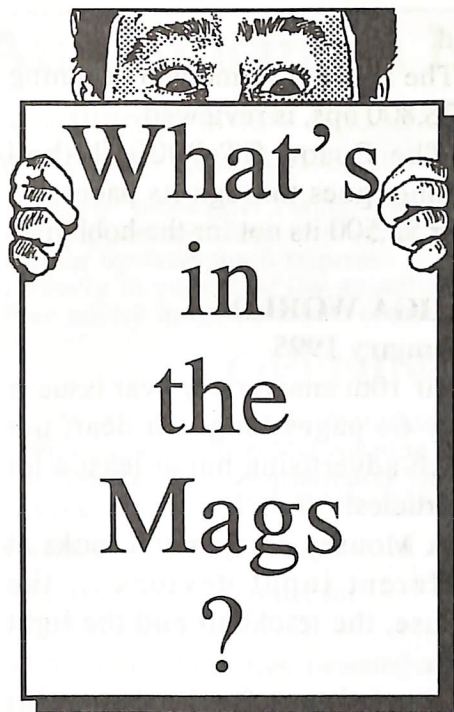
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This is the third edition of our new column which aims to give the reader a quick overview of some of the more interesting articles or reviews seen in the latest Amiga magazines.

Even though this edition of **CURSOR** covers one month, you have a bumper crop of ten magazines reviewed here.

All of these magazines (and more) are available for borrowing from our Commercial Librarian at our Main Meeting held on the first Tuesday of the month.

Here is a sample of the articles appearing in these magazines.

AUSTRALIAN COMMODORE & AMIGA REVIEW (A.C.A.R.)

- February 1995

1. A preview of a stripped-down demo version of Deluxe Paint 5, the latest version of the original (and to some people, still the best) of the Amiga paint programs.
2. WorkBench 3.1 ... Is it worth upgrading? What are the improvements and what, if any, are the problems.
3. PC-Task 3 - Is it a viable alternative to an IBM Compatible; or is it a joke; and does it have its place in an Amiga set-up?
4. Personal Paint 6.1 - Does this latest offering from Cloanto provide a serious threat to the likes of Deluxe Paint? and is it good value?
5. Alex Amor, the chief of C.E.I. speaks out on what are his plans for the Amiga, if his bid is successful.

AMIGA SHOPPER

- November 1994

1. A review (in-depth as always) of LightWave 3.5 the 3D rendering software package only previously available to work with the Video Toaster.
2. Protext 6.5 the classic word processor is given a brief one page review, and still scores very highly.
3. Blizzard 4030 Turbo is an accelerator for the A4000 and runs at 50MHz using the 68030 processor, at an affordable price.

4. A review of Pixel Pro V2, which is a 3D object manipulation program.

AMIGA SHOPPER

- December 1994

1. A preview of PageStream 3. This time the reviewers have actually tried to use the program and have reported on what they found, not just rehashed SoftLogiks advertising hype.

2. Turbo Calc V2.0 is Amigas professional spreadsheet. This latest version is roadtested.

3. Hard Disk Interfaces are the forgotten link in the chain from processor to hard-drive. This five-way comparison also gives a lot of behind the scenes information on both the IDE and SCSI systems.

4. The Video Back-up System is reviewed in its latest version. Well worth a look for those who discounted the original version as slow and unreliable.

AMIGA USER INT'NATIONAL

- December 1994

1. Review of CD PD IV the latest CD-Rom from Almathera.

2. Personal Paint V6.1 (PPaint to most of us) is reviewed.

3. ProText 6.5 the word processor is test driven and gets an overall rating of 96%.

4. PageStream 3 is reviewed and gets a measley 50% rating. Enough

said.

5. The Supra V32 modem , running at 28,800 bps, is reviewed.

6. The Epson GT-9000 flatbed scanner goes through its paces. At over \$2,500 its not for the hobbyist.

AMIGA WORLD

- January 1995

Their 10th anniversary year issue is only 64 pages long. Oh dear, not much advertising but at least a lot of articles!

1. A Mousey comparison looks at different input devices ... the mouse, the trackball and the light pens.

2. A review of a 24-bit paint program called Alpha Paint.

3. MaxDOS and CrossMAC, the new MacIntosh emulators are evaluated.

4. Upgrading the Operating System to WorkBench 3.1 is investigated, and known problems explored.

INTERNET AUSTRALASIA

-DECEMBER 1994

The first issue of this new magazine looks quite interesting.

1. A glossary of Internet terms. Even I can understand them!

2. Internet Service Providers in Australia & New Zealand.

3. A New Users travel guide to the Internet.

4. An Alternative (read humerous) Internet glossary of terms.

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INTERNET AUSTRALASIA

-February 1994

Issue 2 of this new magazine.

1. AARNet - The Academic and Research Network explained.
2. MUDs - Multi User Dungeons are explained.
3. The World Wide Web (WWW) is not just a big spiders home.
4. Check out the letters to the editor where an avid Amiga fan asks for more Amiga coverage in this mag.

DIGITAL VIDEO

- December 1994

Even though this magazine covers all formats, including the PC and the Mac, there is still some Amiga-only

articles including ...

1. A review of VLab Motion a JPEG capture board.
2. 3-D Text that Stands Out

BOARDWATCH

- December 1994

This magazine is an american publication and is a guide to Electronic Bulletin Boards and the Internet. It covers all computer platforms.

BOARDWATCH

- January 1995

See above description.

Confessions of a Club Secretary

Part 2

Writing this is actually harder than I anticipated.

The author won't give his name in case the professionalism (or more likely the lack of it) of the following article is held against him. (If indeed Mike is brave enough to publish it).

I like to use, and sometimes understand, programs written by other people.

My intention, with this article, is to describe my hardware and software and describe how I use the Amiga. I hope that other Club members, after they rise from the floor and stop laughing, will write threatening letters, anonymously or otherwise, and tell me how my system might be improved, or where I might join that IBM club "Brisbug".

I decided to start with a description of my hardware so any differences with my equipment and that of others can be noted.

Hardware

Amiga A2000, 2320 de-interlacer, 1960 Monitor, DF0:, DF2:, NEC 74

Multispin CD-Rom (external), NEC 25 single speed CD-Rom (external), Quantum 240 & 80 meg HardDrives, Digital Micronics Floptical (a bit useless now with the price of HD's, but handy yesterday ... which is a long time ago with computers).

Central Processing Unit 68000
Floating Point Unit NONE
DMA/Gfx ECS AGNUS- 1Meg
Display Mode PAL:Hires-
Interlaced
Display Chip..... ECS DENISE

As everything I do is based around four programs:-

DirectoryOpus (v3.42),
AutoCli (v2.53),
Clickrun (v1.0) and
CygnusEd Professional (v3.5),
I decided to start with each in turn.

I won't describe how to run any of the programs. I have all the latest versions, with the doc.files on disk, excluding any known Commercial programs. Any Club member interested please write asking for John Smith.

I must point out that one of my many and obvious eccentricities is that I hate " Capital Letters " in anything.

The following is a description of my startup sequence.

Any line that starts with a ; is a comment or explanation.

```
c:setpatch >NIL:
; below 3 lines added to replace
; "ram:" with "sd0". Used with
; large files
```

```
assign env: sys:
assign ram: dismount
mount ram:
```

```
; startup-sequence has the
; following lines inserted after the
; line that runs SetPatch:
```

```
assign t: ram:
info >t:user0.t
search t:user0.t validating >nil:
; search t:user0.t "dh?:#?validating"
; pattern >nil:
; note 'search line 1 above is
original
```

```
if not warn
echo "*nValidating fixed disk(s)."
echo "Startup-sequence halted.*n"
quit
else
delete t:user0.t quiet
endif
```

; The Search command above looks
; for the string "validating" in the
; output of the Info command, but
; only in the entries for my hard
; disks, called DH0: and DH1:. If
; you change this line to:

```
; search t:user0.t validating >nil:
; then the startup-sequence will
; abort if any disk is validating. If
; you do this it is not a good idea to
; use the word "validating" when
; labeling any of your disks. This
; program has saved my hard disks
; / heart failure several times.
```

```
c:version >NIL:
```

```
addbuffers >NIL: df0: 40
addbuffers >NIL: df2: 40
addbuffers >NIL: dh0: 40
addbuffers >NIL: dh1: 40
stack 20000
```

Failat 21

```
resident >NIL: c:List pure add
resident >NIL: c:Copy pure add
resident >NIL: c:Assign pure add
resident >NIL: c:Execute pure add
```

```
makedir ram:T ram:Clipboards
ram:env ram:env/sys
copy >NIL: ENVARC: ram:env all
quiet noreq
```

```
assign ENV: ram:env
assign T: ram:t
assign CLIPS: ram:clipboards
assign REXX: dh0:rexx
assign REXXC: dh0:rexxc
```

```
if exists sys:Monitors
join >NIL: sys:monitors/~(#?.info)
as t:mon-start
```



```
execute t:mon-start
delete >NIL: t:mon-start
endif
```

BindDrivers

```
; Digital Micronics floptical
Insite gvpscsi.device Unit 5
; mounts " floptical: " senses if 20
; meg or 1.44 meg disk in Floptical
```

```
setenv Workbench $Workbench
setenv Kickstart $Kickstart
```

IPrefs

NickPrefs

```
; has to be removed for scanner use
; does not like autocli " blanker "
; I like the little hour glass pointer
conclip
```

```
mount speak:
mount aux:
mount pipe:
```

```
path ram: c: work:utilities sys:rexxc
sys:system s: add
path sys:wbstartup sys:prefs add
```

```
if exists sys:tools
```

```
  path sys:tools add
  if exists sys:tools/commodities
  path sys:tools/commodities add
endif
endif
```

```
if exists s:user-startup
  execute s:user-startup
endif
```

```
dh0:rexxc/rexxmast >NIL:
```

```
; Directory Opus starts in back with
; " Rshift " startup directoryopus -i
```

```
; Autocli starts in back " LAmiga
; plus Esc " to activate
; work:utilities/autocli/autocli
```

```
LoadWB
endcli > NIL:
```

user-startup

```
copy > NIL: SYS:S/RAM.info TO
RAM:Disk.info
; puts a ' Magic Icon ' on WBench
```

```
assign rexxc: dh0:rexxc
path rexxc: add
```

```
; below was one of my own. it
; seems to do away with many of
; the horrible rexx error messages.
```

```
rx rexxc:librarys.active.rexx
; opens all rexx libs automatically
; I don't open all Rexx Libs all the
; time. I run out of memory often.
```

```
path dh0:rexx add
; smarties will notice this is the
; second occurrence of this path.
; My reason I will bow to anything
; to appease Rexx
```

```
tmonth -p
; should start at 1st of month
if WARN
```

echo "TMONTH was not executed
in this month yet."

echo "Stand by for monthly Virus
Scan...."

dh0:c/snapshot dh0: update -a
; every day

dh0:c/vs progress_window=yes
stay_resident=no hotkey="control
shift a"

else
snapshot dh0: 0 -a

echo "TMONTH was already
executed in this month."
endif

TMONTH -echo >> s:audit "virus
checked...." NOLINE

c:newdate >> s:audit
; for my wife so she can nag at me
; for the time I spend on the
; computer

; Tmonth sets the warn flag if it is a
; new month, otherwise just leaves
; it alone. So this is executed once
; per month, at the first possible
; opportunity (usually on the 1st),
; and then not again until the next
; month.

; DirectoryOpus
; resident c:DOPusRT add
; great doubts as to its safety
; I must ask J Potter one day

; I like the whole set of P- series
; programs

setenv editor p-reader
; was memacs
setenv read p-reader
; was fullview

relabel ram: ram
; hate capital letters on my wb

; recoverable file
mount sd0:
relabel sd0: df3

; Dopus rexx commands
assign dopus: rexx:rexx.dopus
path dopus: add

; GVP scsi board software
assign gvp.install: sys:gvp/gvputils
assign gvp: sys:gvp
path gvp: add

path work:utilities/findddb add
; database of all files
assign findddb: work:utilities/findddb
; not so handy now with
; monstrous cd's. My last data base
; was 30 megs and it took the
; program 1 min 20 seconds to
; find what I was after.

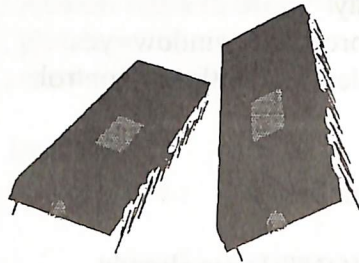
run > nil: pploadseg
; any editor reads " power packer "
; files except P-Reader

run > nil: arq
; prettier message telling me I did
; something wrong

run > nil: resethandler

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Tony May

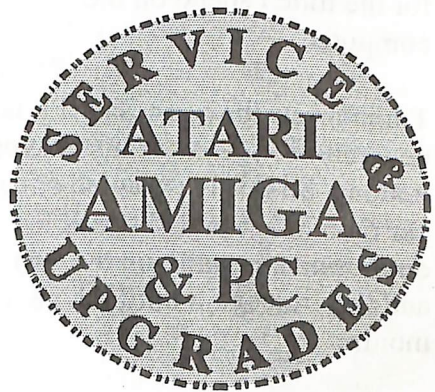


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;counts down before a "soft reboot"
; Stops my bad temper wrecking
; the HD when I get a Guru which
; is my fault.

assign GPterm: "hard:GPterm"
; not much use as I cannot
; remember my password into the
; BBS. I suspect the SYSOP
; keeps changing my password so I
; cannot get in.

; ASIMCDFS

assign AsimTunes:hard:compact.disk
mount CD0: from devs:MountList.CD0
; NEC 74 device 6
mount CD1: from devs:MountList.CD1
; NEC 25 device 5

; I have been told the "25"
; crashes and causes weird
; problems. My usage is
; (1) mount last (2) mount from a
; separate file in devs:
; (3) I mount it as device 5 and the
; NEC 74 as device 6
; This seems to not really mount it
; until wb opens.Indeed, sometimes
; it mounts so late I get a
; "requester" however it works
; perfectly on my machine.

path AsimTunes: add
run > nil: asimtunes:asimtunes
CDROM=cd1: CX_POPUP=no
; not needed now I got my own
; Audio CD player for my birthday

; Professional Page

Assign Spell:"hard:PPage4.0/PPage4.0"

Assign pagegenies: dh0:rexx

; Final Writer
assign fwfonts: dh0:fonts
path fwfonts: dh0:fonts add
assign fwlibs: dh0:libs
path fwlibs: dh0:libs add
assign fw: dh0:final.writer/finalwriter
path dh0:final.writer add
; Heard 26.1.95 FW update arriving
; Feb. 1995

Virus_Checker

; never had one only read about
; them if anybody sends me a disk
; after saying that, I will be a little
; careful.

shell-startup

prompt

"*e[1;31;47m%n*e[0m*e[31;47m.
%s*e[0;31;40m>*e[0m "
; looks " 6. Hard: > "

alias c "echo *"*E[0;0H*E[J*""
; clears anything in any Shell

alias d execute s:newlist
; prints in any Shell, in the
; maximum number of columns
; depending on the ' word length '
; of each Dir name

alias e endcli
; ends and closes any open Shell on
; front screen

execute s:Newlist_Aliases

; can be extensively user defined
; Newlist replacement and big
; improvement on " list " etc.

alias p- p-reader

; brings up ASL file requester

alias f- dh0:final.writer/finalwriter

; starts my WP

SETENV 0 df0:

SETENV 2 df2:

SETENV 3 df3:

SETENV r RAM:

SETENV h dh0:

SETENV w dh1:

alias 0 cd \$0 ; df0:

alias 2 cd \$2 ; df2:

alias 3 cd \$3 ; df3:

alias r cd \$r ; ram:

alias h cd \$h ; hard:

alias w cd \$w ; work:

; Pressing 0 , 2 , 3 , r, etc brings up

; that directory / drive in any Shell

wbstartup

AlertPatch

; tells me what the guru is in such a

; way I am still no better off.

ScreenSelect

; something to swap screens using

; hot keys a bit like my BBS

; password, I can never remember

; the " Hot Keys"

AutoPoint

; brings screen, pointer is on, to

; front

CloneCommandKeys

; copy = F8 and paste = F7

MagicMenu

; brought the Amiga out of the dark

; ages

P-FixLib

PublicManager

; opens a 4 colour hires screen

; not 16 colour hires-interlaced as

; WB

ToolAlias

; kidnaps all programs such as

; ' more' 'fullview' ' memacs' etc.

; substitutes ' p-reader ' instead.

; the P- series of programs are very

; good and I recommend them

DirectoryOpus

; I give this capital letters because

; as the saying goes " live without

; MUM , but not Dopus"

ClickRun

CygnusEd Professional

CED boots on Computer startup

and stays quiet and opens on my

" lshift / return " combination. I

could write a book on what fun that

key combination causes me.

As I am to old to learn new habits I will put up with it.

My CED opens on my " public-screen " i.e. Hires non-interlaced screen with a font I can see with my trifocals in 4 colours.

The only thing of note is the following list of Rexx programs which I have " hot keyed" to CED and on ' good days ' with Rexx CED one of these will automatically "paste" highlighted text directly to a running copy of Final writer. I emphasize " GOOD DAYS".

Nobody is to ask me why it does not work on ' bad days '

The joke is, I can't work out which program does the trick.

My CED / Rexx programs:-

AltFileError.ced
Calc.ced
CopyToUnit.ced
CutToUnit.ced
DelError.ced
Delete-Until.ced
ExecuteFile.ced
ExecuteLine.ced
FormatNewsHeader.ced
JumpToBookmark.ced
Left-C-Comment.ced
LeftShift.ced
List-Dir.ced
MarkRight.ced

PasteFromUnit.ced
Quote.ced
Rexx-CED_Demo.ced
RightShift.ced
Search-For-NULL.ced
SetBookmark.ced
Solve.ced
SortBlock.ced
SpreadViews.ced
Time.ced
ToggleLace.ced
Word-Count-File.ced

my favorite software

CygnusEd Professional

Icon Editor 4 (our local P. Kiem)

Directory Opus (our local J. Potter)

Final Writer (my only Amiga WP)

Professional Page (my only DTP)

AII (GUI archiver local P. McLachlan)

AutoCli (our local N. Wilson)

P- etc. series reads, plays, shows, compresses.

DPaint (metamorph my mother-in-law).

PPrint printer prefs (does a good job of defeating deep seated ansi, tab settings etc.)

Scala (easy to understand).

Sculpt Animate 4D (before you were born)

Hermit (screen IFF snap without peer)

Amos Professional (love basic - no sqiggley characters)

Furnish (design house interior using IFF)

Hoopy Paint (kids paint. Local, I think)

Sort (sorts Icons in a given directory in a fashion which takes into account the icon name length.)
Appicon PD

Other programs I have collected and used over the years. Some quite old but more suitable for a 68000 machine than most recently written programs.

butcher
cpk
fantavision
lights.camera.action
lmv
mcad
photolab
picbase
pixmate
power.windows

scenery.generator
slide.show
the.director
videoscape.3d

In the next article I will describe my other pieces of Hardware and Software.

Hewlett Packard LaserJet 111 .. I love it. Belongs to CCUGQ.
(The only perk in this job.)

1 Nerika DeskTop Genlock

2 Mitsubishi 1000 SVHS

3 Vidi-Amiga RT

4 Technosound Turbo 2

5 Pyramid Scanner

2 + 3 + 4 + 5 are new to me and I am learning to edit some Video's I have taken in the last 3 years.

2 This is a very still frame S-Video job with direct camera connection, with software control of movement.

If it sounds as if I know what I am talking about, it's not true.

I read most of it from the manuals.

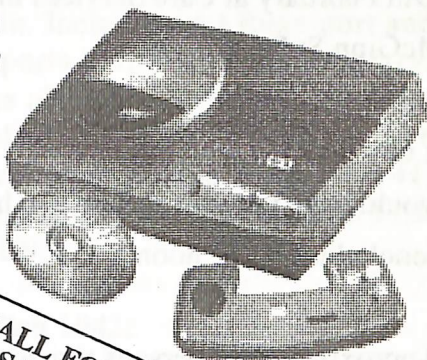
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Beginners

The first of the beginners classes, so called, were held on Sunday the 19th February at Care Services Inc. McGinn St Ferny Grove.

It was decided that in future we would have the start at 9am and be concluding by 12 noon.

Approximately 9 persons turned up, less than I had hoped for, but if even 1 person benefits then its all worthwhile.

Geoff Suttor was also present and we were all given a demonstration of the power of the Personal Animation Recorders capabilities, as one attendee brought his 4000 with Opal and PAR in to be shown some points.

The meeting was given a short talk by the director of Care Services,

Bob O'Neill, on its structure, what it's all about and what facilities are available to the Group.

It was also decided that the next meeting would be on the 19th March and the topics are the Operating System and AmigaDOS. The subsequent talks would encompass Internet and Comms packages and BBS use, followed the next month by Wordprocessing and DeskTop Publishing and printing.

It might be hoped that there will be greater attendance as you all now know what is to be the topics for a few months ahead. We will be delving into, at a future date networking, Graphics as in Art and Graphics as in Video, Midi work, Hardware and repairs etc.

Hope to see you along there sometime.

Keith

AMIGA

Public Domain Disks

Q-Fish Disks

1041 - 1060

Please Note: The descriptions given below are from the Fresh Fish CD-Rom and are NOT the comments of the CCUGQ PD Librarians, the PD Compiler or the Cursor Editor.

Q-Fish 1041:

DiskSalv2

A disk repair, salvage, and undelete utility for all standard disk devices and file system types. Has a full Intuition interface and runs from Workbench or Shell. It can fix most problems in place, and reverse a partial or QUICK format. Unlike the earlier DiskDoctor it has long since superseded, DiskSalv can optionally redirect its output to any AmigaDOS disk device or pipe (eg, TAPE:). OS 2.04+ required. This is Version 11.30, an update of Version 11.27 on Fish Disk 891.

DMS

DISK-Masher is a utility that allows users to compress and archive entire floppy disks. Offers four different types of compression, extended virus checking of boot blocks, and data encryption. Requires at least 512K of memory. This is Version 1.11, an update of

Version 1.01 on Fish Disk 406.

VirusChecker

A virus checker that can check memory, disk bootblocks, and all disk files for signs of most known viruses. Can remember nonstandard bootblocks that you indicate are OK and not bother you about them again. Includes an ARExx port and supports SHI's Bootblock.library. This allows new brainfiles to be added as new viruses are discovered. This is Version 6.41, an update of Version 6.33 on Fish Disk 935.

Q-Fish 1042:

WBFlash

A small program that allows you to create nice colourcycles on the Workbench screen. WBFlash now also supports the AGA chipset for greatly improved performance. Requires 2.0+. Binary only. This is Version 2.1, an update of Version 1.12 on Fish Disk 943.

ColConq

Colonial Conquest is a space-strategy game for one or two players. The aim is to spread your civilization through the 26 Earth-like planets of the universe map and to defend it from other civilizations by building weapons and warships. Unfortunately Colonial Conquest rewards primitive destructive behavior without leaving much

room for cooperative actions or peaceful living. Go ahead, buy it if you must, but please don't play it. Version 1.05.

ITF

Amiga port of "Infocom Task Force" ITF4.01. There have been several ports of Infocom interpreters to the Amiga, but none of this program. The interpreter supports v1, v2, v3 (Zork1 to Stationfall), v4 (Trinity, Bureaucracy) and v5 (Sherlock, Beyond Zork) games. This is more than any other freely distributable interpreter. With this interpreter you can play ALL the games in the LTOI2 package for the IBM PC. Just copy the datafiles with CrossDOS or similar and run this interpreter. Binary only. OS 2.0+ required. This is Version 1.46, an update of the version that appeared on Fish Disk 975.

Q-Fish 1043:

FDB

Included in this package are three programs. UDB generates a database of your files at different places, e.g. hardisks, CD-ROMs, or network machines, FDB is able to scan this database to find dirs/files very fast, and LDB lists a database. OS2.0 required. Version 1.3.

Iconian

An icon editor with all the functions

of IconEdit under OS3.0, plus more. Features: Support for sizable windows and custom fonts; Multiple undos; Appwindows; Custom magnification levels; Up to 256 colors; 3.x palette sharing; RGB color editing; Integer scaling of oversized brushes; Optional remapping of IFFs to screen colors; Can save 8 plane icons which stay "normal" regardless of screen depth; Full range of drawing tools including beveled boxes; Recolours 1.3 icons; 100% system supported including Clipboard; no external libraries required. 68020+ cpu recommended, OS 3.0+ required. This is Version 1.97B, an update of Version 1.90b on Fish Disk 991.

IconMonger

CLI-only utility for making changes to icons. Can work on selected icons within a directory, or on an entire directory tree or disk. Select icons by name, image, type, stack size and/or default tool. Change their image, color, stacksize, default tool or position. KickStart 2.0 or better required. Version 2.0.

Q-Fish 1044:

ImagemsDemo

Demo version of a game that appears to be very loosely based on the game "Wangle" by Peter Händel. The object is to group the specified geometric pieces into

proper place by "pushing them, thereby proceeding on to the next level. Excellent graphics. Very little English documentation, but not difficult to figure out.

Montana

A simple but rather addictive card game remotely related to Patience. It runs in a WB window and is perfect for those moments when you're waiting for something else (like a modem download or a ray-trace) to finish. Version 1.2. OS2.0+ required.

SIRDS_GEN

Single-Image-Random-Dot Stereogram generator. SIRDSs are "real" three-dimensional pictures. The dots (which seem random) are calculated in such a way that if you focus "behind" the picture, you will see a 3D pic with a real feeling of depth. This version features function plotting for viewing as SIRDS, free choice of screen-mode, and scaling of the picture. It should run on Graphics third party cards -- although only the Picasso II has been tested so far. OS 3.0+ required. Version 3.4.

Q-Fish 1045:

DirKING

DirKing is a very powerful replacement for the AmigaDOS 'List' and 'Dir' commands. It gives full control over formatting of the

listing. Can both generate and execute Script Files. The directory may be sorted on one or more items (e.g. size, date, comment, data type). DirKing also supports numerous directory filters (e.g. name, date, comment, datatype). All these filters can be made effective on files only, on directories only or on both. One can even define patterns for each directory level. Also supported are multiple assigns, links, datatypes and locale value formats. Unique is the feature to monitor the directory scanning process. If you are cataloging your disk collection, you can insert the disk ID in the listing. The actual blocks and bytes used by a directory, along with its number of files and subdirectories can be shown, thus allowing you to see if it would fit on a certain disk. Works with AmigaDOS v1.2 up to v3.1. This is Version 3.00, an update of Version 2.12e on Fish Disk 859.

FlexCat

A utility like CatComp, KitCat or MakeCat, which creates catalogs and source to handle them. Maximum flexibility is achieved by utilizing external template files which can be edited by the programmer. Can be applied to any programming language or individual needs. Examples are included for Assembler, C, E and

Oberon, including an example for handling catalogs in Workbench 2.0. Version 1.2.

Q-Fish 1046:

BreakName

An addition to the well known C:Break command. It may break CLI processes by issuing either the complete path, or simply the filename. Useful within scripts. OS 2.0 (37.175) required. Version 37.1.

Snoopy

Snoopy is an all-purpose tool to monitor ANY library call in ANY system library. It is like SnoopDOS in principle but much more generalized. Now also allows you to monitor any DEVICE or RESOURCE as well as the libraries. This is Version 2.0, an update of Version 1.4 on Fish Disk 948.

Q-Fish 1047:

isoicons

8Eight-color icons for WB 2.04. These icons are nearly exact duplicates of the 16-color icons designed by Roger McVey, with just a few additions and improvements.

Washer

An essential screen maintenance utility <grin>. This little gem makes sure the inside of your screen stays

nice and clean. Goes way back... but somehow never made it into the library. Binary only, washware.

WB2Stuff

Some miscellaneous WorkBench stuff. Includes a couple of IFF pictures, some pattern presets and some 4-color icons. The icons are similar to the standard WB2.0 icons but meant to have their purpose more "intuitively obvious".

Q-Fish 1048:

CarCosts

Version 3 of the program "AutoKosten", now called CarCosts. This version uses MUI and supports locale.library if available. Without locale.library the interface defaults to German. However the essential English catalog and associated files are there to save you if required. A program to convert 2.0 data files to version 3 is included. A bug in version 3.00 on the Fish-Dec93 CDROM is also fixed by this edition. Binary only. OS 2.0+ and MUI required. Version 3.03.

DiskCat

DiskCat is a configurable disk librarian. The files can be organized any way you want. You can make and name any category you care to. Through menu selection, all disks inserted are automatically searched and the

8372 FATTER AGNUS INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

The new 8372 FATTER AGNUS IC, (P/N 318069-02), will require the following modifications for proper operation. If no modifications are performed the IC will address only 512K of Chip RAM and operate only in the NTSC Mode.

NOTE: The correct IC Extractor Tool must be used when removing the original 8370 FAT AGNUS from the socket. The Extractor Tool is available from Commodore Parts. P/N 314874-01

INSTALLING FATTER AGNUS IN THE AMIGA 2000

- 1) Locate Jumper J101 (Lower Right of Power Connector CN400 and move the installed shorting block to the left, shorting pins 2 and 3.
 - * This will enable Address 19 from the 68000.
 - * See Page 13 of A2000 System Schematics
- 2) Locate Jumper Pad J500 (Lower left of 8520 IC at U301) and use a sharp Exacto knife to cut the trace connecting the two (2) pads.
 - * This controls the EXRAM signal.
 - * See Page 9 of A2000 System Schematics
- 3) Line Pin 1 of the 8372 FATTER AGNUS with Pin 1 of the socket and insert IC.

INSTALLING FATTER AGNUS IN THE AMIGA 500

- 1) Locate Jumper pad JP2 (Between 68000 at U1 and ROM at U6) and use a sharp Exacto Knife to cut the trace connecting the Bottom and Center Pads. Solder the Top and Center Pads.
 - * This will enable Address 19 from the 68000
 - * See page 39 of A500 Service Manual
- 2) Locate the RAM Expansion Bus Connector CNX. Pins 1 and 2 are on the bottom row and pins 55 and 56 on the top row. Count up from the bottom, (by 2's) and locate pins 41 and 42. About 1/8" to the left is a plated hole with a trace which runs straight up, (parallel with the white silkscreen line designating the CNX connector outline.) This trace should connect between to pin 32 of CNX and pin 32 of the GARY IC U5. This trace must be cut.
 - * This controls the EXRAM signal.
 - * See pages 39 and 40 of A500 service manual

NOTE: There is also another trace running straight up next to the trace which must be cut. This trace may be obscured by the silkscreen line.

BE VERY CAREFUL THIS TRACE IS NOT CUT
- 3) Line Pin 1 of the 8372 FATTER AGNUS with Pin 1 of the Socket and insert the IC.

useful information copied. A 45-character comment may be entered for each file. The database can be searched and data exported. AmigaDOS 2.04 or later required. This is Version 2.1, an update of Version 1.3 on Fish Disk 889.

Gladiator

Arena combat wargame that runs in WB window. Strategy game, similar to a "chit" wargame or boardgame. You control one or more characters (which can be magic users or fighters) and the computer controls an opposing team of monsters. Play continues until only one side remains. OS 2.0+ required. Version 1.0.

Q-Fish 1049:

AudioScope

AudioScope is a real-time audio spectrum analyser for the Amiga which uses a 512 point Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) to process audio data received through your audio digitiser. AudioScope provides a high resolution display of audio signal amplitude vs frequency and can be used to evaluate the frequency content of sounds of all kinds. Real-time display or continuous scrolling. AGA recommended. AmigaDOS 2.0+, audio digitiser and 68020+ cpu required. This is Version 3.0, an update of the version on Fish Disk 543.

CDDA

This program replays digital audio data directly off a compact disc using the Amiga audio hardware -- in stereo where available. A special type of CD-ROM drive is required since this program makes use of a vendor-unique command supported by Sony drives such as the CDU-8003A and Apple CD-300. Version 1.3.

Forcelcon

Forcelcon is an utility for users of CD-ROM drives. One cannot snapshot the position of a volume's icon, nor replace it by a user-defined one on a CD-ROM. Forcelcon allows you to set the position of a disk's icon and/or replace it by a different image/icon. All types of ".info" files may be selected. Version 1.2, an update (!!!) of Version 1.4 on Fish Disk 984.

PicCon "Picture Converter".

This is a utility made for programmers. It will convert IFF ILBMs (or any other picture format you've got in your datatypes library) to an appropriate image format. This is an essential stage in the development of games, but is also useful for development of demos and other applications. Includes the ability to cut out and save parts of pictures as, for example, sprites or small bitplanes.

Requires at least OS2.04+ (Some features require OS3.0+). This is Version 2.20, an update of Version 2.01 on Fish Disk 989.

SCDPlayer

A tool for easily playing CD Audio. It is also a commodity. Popup on public screen with hotkey, keyboard short-cuts, Font-adaptive. Version 1.1, OS2.0+ required.

Q-Fish 1050:

AlertPatch

A patch into the exec.library/Alert() function to display more meaningful information about the dreaded Guru. This includes: Alert Type, Task address and Name, and if the calling routines are known, it will tell you the cause (eg. "graphics.library"). If MultiUser FileSystem is installed then the User ID and User Name are also displayed. Version 3.0.

CLExchange

A 584 byte CLI replacement for the standard CBM Exchange utility. The only difference is that Exchange has a graphical user interface while CLExchange has been designed as a CLI command so it can be used in scripts, menus, docks or hotkeys. AmigaDOS 2.04 or later required. This is Version 1.4, an update of the version on Fish Disk 975.

DeviceGuide

A list of (almost) all xxx.device-files/drivers for the Amiga in "AmigaGuide" format, containing info on Versions, Authors, Purpose, where to get it, etc. Version 1.0.

HandlerGuide

A list of (almost) all Handler-files for the Amiga in "AmigaGuide" format, containing info on Versions, Authors, Purpose, where to get it, etc. Version 1.0.

LibraryGuide

A list of (almost) all shared Libraries of the Amiga in "AmigaGuide" format, containing info on Versions, Authors, Purpose, Where to get it, etc. Contains 234 Libraries and 57 Sub-Libraries. This is Version 1.4, an update of Version 1.1 on Fish Disk 977.

MSplit

Utility to split large files into several smaller ones in order to transport them by floppy disk and recover the large file on another system. Optimized for speed and memory usage. Includes executables for Amiga, MS-DOS, Sun Sparc, Convex, Vax-VMS, Acorn Archimedes and DEC-Station ULTRIX. Version 1.3.

QDisk

QDisk "Query Disk" will monitor the space usage of any mounted AmigaDOS volume, like your hard drive or floppy disk, for example. It will also notify you if a volume becomes too full. Implemented as a Workbench Tool, it comes with its own preference editor. WB 2.04 or later required. This is Version 2.10, an update of Version 2.01 on Fish Disk 971.

SetPatch

Setpatch is usually the first file your Startup-sequence looks for on boot-up. It is designed to improve system operation by fixing (patching) various system problems which were not corrected in time for inclusion on the Kickstart ROM. Included in the distribution is Setpatch 37.39 for AmigaDOS 2.04 (V37), Setpatch 40.14 for AmigaDOS 2.1 (V38) through AmigaDOS 3.1 (V40). A program such as LhA on Q-Fish 1002 will be required to extract the files from this archive distribution. Version 40.14.

Sort

A CLI-based text file sort utility. Options for: Ascending/descending sort; Case-sensitivity; Delete empty lines; Delete multiple occurrences of same line; Overwrite input file; Sort and write file in reverse order of input. Includes English /

German binaries. Version 1.23.

Q-Fish 1051:

FastLife

A fast life program featuring an Intuition interface and 200+ patterns in text file format. Features include support for all screen modes, screens up to 16384 by 16384, Run for a specified number of generations and Stop at a specific generation. Also Tomas Rokicki's ultra-fast life routines, a torus option, and random field generation. AmigaDOS 2.04 or better required (reqtools.library is included). This is Version 2.7, an update of Version 2.2 on Fish Disk 802.

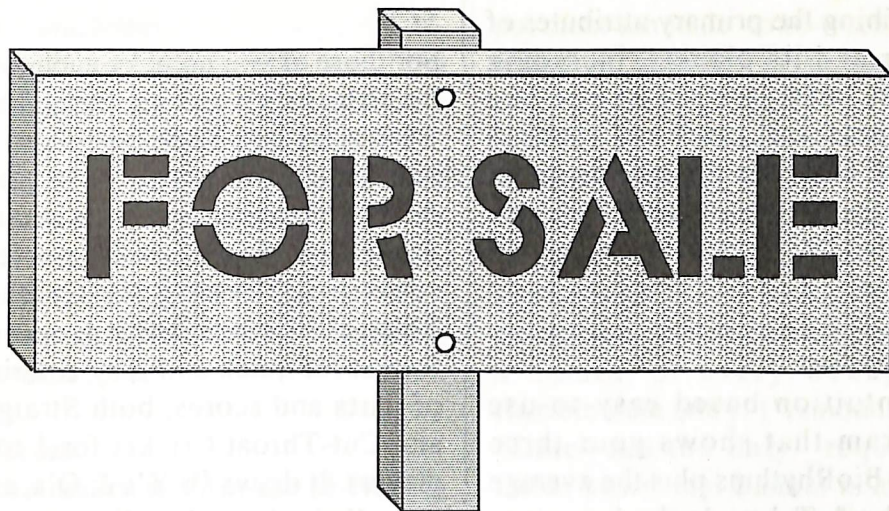
VerbesEnsemble

Verbes is a program to help students practice and master French verbs in the most common tenses of the language. It is designed to support classroom work, not to replace it. Features include online context-sensitive help via AmigaGuide. Supports sound and international keyboards. English and French locale. Version 1.1.

Q-Fish 1052:

Accrete

A program that generates random star systems based on Stephen Dole's work, "Habitable Planets for Man". The output is a text file



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describing the primary attributes of a star and its planets, including density, mass, surface temperature and pressure; orbit and rotation period, and even the boiling point of water on the surface. C source included. Version 1.1. Runs on all Amigas.

BioRhythm

An intuition based easy-to-use program that shows your three basic BioRhythms plus the average "rhythm". Take a look, dump it to your printer and make your plans for "when to do what." This is Version 3.0, an update of Version 2.2 on Fish Disk 862.

Recall

Not only helps you Recall birthdays, anniversaries and other important events, but can also remind you a pre-determined number of days in advance or after the event. These reminders are available in the form of requesters, alerts or practically anything that can be displayed on an Amiga monitor. It is also able to autostart certain programs depending on the date and time. MUI v1.4 and Amiga OS 2.04+ required. Extra facilities of 68020+ processors and later versions of the OS will also be taken advantage of if present. Version 2.2.

SCS

For those of you unlucky enough to be able to afford an Arachnid electronics dart game (and those of you lucky enough to have your Amiga next to your Winmau bristleboard) comes the perfect solution. "Synergy's Cricket Scorer" feature button driven format for quick and easy entering of darts and scores, both Straight and Cut-Throat Cricket for 1 to 4 players. It draws /'s X's & O's, and even little darts, just like the bar version! Version 1.0.

Q-Fish 1053:

CasioLink

A program for transmitting data between the Amiga and the Casio FX850P (FX880P) pocket computer. AmigaDOS 2.0 or later required. Version 1.0.

DiskInfoTools

Three Tools in one: PieChartDir provides an interactive pie chart of disk usage and includes percentages and byte values. DupFinder locates duplicate files. CompareDir compares two disks or directories. All three tools run via an easy to use GUI, with online help. No special libraries, cpu, or memory requirements. Version 1.0. Binary only. OS 2.0+ required.

SummaDriver

This commodity enables use of the Summagraphic digitiser tablet with your Amiga. The tablet can be used with or without the mouse as a direct input medium. Thus the driver can be used with (nearly) any software. OS2.04 + and Summagraphic tablet required. Version 2.01.

Wacom

Commodity enables use of Wacom pressure sensitive digitiser tablet with the Amiga. Use with or without the mouse as a direct input medium. Thus it supports (almost) all Amiga software. Furthermore the pressure-sensitive data provided by the tablet can be exported in custom applications which use a documented software interface. Directly supports the complete Wacom IV command set and lets you define your own working area on the tablet. A Wacom SD or UD series tablet, and Amiga OS 2.04 or better required. Version 1.10.

Q-Fish 1054:

Amortize

A loan amortization utility. Determines the maximum allowable borrowed principal (based on your gross monthly income), calculates monthly payments for a given principal, outputs each payment & outstanding balance and sets

payment schedule to bi-weekly, bi-monthly, monthly or anniversary date. Version 1.16.

Banker

Lets you easily maintain the balance of your bank account. Features MUI interface, automatic entries (i.e. credits that happen once a month, or every week) and flexible data entry. ("Amount" and "Date" are the only _required_ fields however). Banker is able to export data, and supports user-definable autosave. This is Version 2.0beta. OS2.0+ and MUI required.

db

db is a small fast database which, unlike a lot of other programs in its category, places emphasis on font sensitivity and support for a truly Amiga GUI and OS 3.0 look & feel. Although the current freeware release is intended purely as an address and telephone database, font sensitivity, AppWindows and other Amiga features are utilized to the fullest extent possible. Version 1.0.

FINANCA

A useful financial program that makes it easy for the user to calculate MORTGAGES, ANNUITIES, and COMPOUND INTEREST. In addition, FINANCA contains a SIMPLEX

routine which computes the maximum/minimum value of a linear function of several non-negative variables subject to various equality/inequality constraints. Includes normal and 68882 versions. Version 1.4.

Q-Fish 1055:

Banner

A smart character rendering utility for - surprise - banners. Use from Shell only. Supports fonts accessible via the diskfont.library. This is Version 1.5, an update of Version 1.4 on Fish Disk 855.

DviDvi

A small utility to modify the contents of a dvi file. As just one example, you could put two or four pages on one sheet of paper, and print one of them reversed. This is Version 1.1, an update of Version 1.0 on Fish Disk 908.

PARex

PARex performs search and replace operations on text files, allowing, for example, text between two nominated strings to be stripped. All ASCII codes, including control codes, can be used in the search and replace strings. Entire files, dates and times can be inserted in such strings. Wildcards and Custom formatted hexadecimal output are supported. Over twenty ready-to-

use scripts are included for such things as converting files between different computer systems, stripping comments from source files and converting AmigaGuide files to normal text files. This Shareware Demo Version is restricted to processing the first 4096 chars in a file. Version 3.10. An update of Version 3.00 on Fish Disk 957.

Text2Guide

Converts plain ASCII text to AmigaGuide (c) format. Sticking to some simple organization of the text file, one can have a well structured guide file while still having an easily readable text file. Version 3.01.

Q-Fish 1056:

ASC

This is an Amiga port of the UNIX spreadsheet SC. Version 6.21.

Q-Fish 1057:

Apple2000

"Apple 2000" is the premier Apple II emulator for the Amiga. At its current level, it accurately emulates a 64K Apple II+, including the 6502 cpu, and all video modes. This includes two-button joystick, keyboard, sound, 16k RAM card (64k computer), and 5¼" disk drive (via disk images). The emulation runs in a completely

system friendly manner, multitasking with Amiga programs. Requires both an Apple II ROM image and also its Disk Controller's ROM image. An Apple- style two-button joystick is recommended. 68020+, KS2.0+, and ReqTools.library all required.

ClockTool

A simple CLI utility to perform operations on the battery- backed-up and/or system clock, e.g. set date/time of either, display either/both, set one from the other, increment, and log. Most of these features, particularly those accessing the battery-backed-up clock, are not available using current AmigaDos commands. Runs on any Amiga with AmigaDos 2.x and above. Full functionality only if battery clock installed. This is Version 1.1, an update of Version 1.0 on Fish 950.

MasterMind

The Amiga chooses some colors randomly and places them in a row. You have to guess not only the colors, but also their places in the row. To do this, you guess some colors and place them in a row as you see appropriate. When done, the Amiga shows you the results by way of black and white circles. You use this information to help make a better guess in the next row,

until you either find the correct colours and their order, or you lose.

PowerCalc

A workbench 2D graphing calculator optimized for 68040 systems. It basically graphs functions of the form $y=f(x)$. Features grab-and-drag realtime scrolling. Just click with the left mouse button on the graph paper and drag the page around to view different areas of the graph. Requires OS2.04+, 400K of free CHIP RAM, 68020+, and 68881 or equivalent. Version 1.50.

Usage

Similar to the UNIX "du" (disk usage) command, this program has more options - mainly the ability to make comparisons & return WARN if the given amount has been exceeded. Supports wildcards, OS 2.0+ required. Version 1.06.

Q-Fish 1058:

HD_Frequency

Release 2 of a harddisk recording system for 8 bit samplers. Many brilliant new features. Modular GUI conception. Improved FourTrack cpu replay routine (68030+) for best results. Replay now works >30 kHz. 68020+ specific versions included. This is Version 38.076, an update of Version 37.142 on Fish Disk 924.

Q-Fish 1059:

PlayCDDA

A program for owners of Toshiba 3401 CDROM drives. These drives are capable of transferring CD-DA (digital audio) data over the SCSI bus. PlayCDDA reads this data and reproduces the corresponding sounds on the Amiga's audio.device. Version 1.1.

SpeakTimeCX

A simple commodity which, when activated, will allow you to have the system time spoken through the narrator.device at the touch of a hotkey. Requires AmigaDos 2.04+, also narrator.device must be in DEVS: and translator.library in LIBS: Version 1.2.

VoiceShell

VoiceShell is THE voice recognition program for the Amiga computer. It allows you to start a program just by saying the program's name. Actually it allows you to control just about everything about your Amiga. Requires Kickstart 2.04+, sampler hardware and a microphone. "Voice.library" is included. This is Version 1.21, an update of Version 1.11 on Fish Disk 913.

WhereK

A highly configurable hard drive utility. Features an automatic disk

cataloger with 3 modes: Turns directories into ascii files that can be saved and searched, Allows other programs to run while continuing in the background, and Creates lists with versions of the libraries on your hard drive and disks. Version 9.8 contains these additional features: Screen blanker, database compare feature, full sound sample abilities, icon creation for files without icons, reads memory locations, picture cataloger, direct access to multiview and much more. OS2.0+ required. This is Version 9.8, an update of Version 3.0 on Fish Disk 937.

Q-Fish 1060:

PowerCache

A user friendly, completely configurable disk caching system. Has tons of features, including a nice GUI, multiple unit caching, selectable read-only or read/write cache mode, cache-in-a-file option, statistics graphs, a low memory handler, a full ARexx interface and more than 120k of AmigaGuide documentation. CatComp source included. Requires at least OS2.0; certain bonus features require OS3.0+. This is Version 37.115, an update of Version 37.64 on Fish Disk 910.

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